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Application of: Nawroth *et al.*

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INFLUENCING BLOOD VESSEL
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments prior to examination of the above-referenced application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) [Use of tissue factor or a fragment thereof for the well-calculated therapeutic influence of] A method for modulating blood vessel formation in a subject in need, comprising [by induction of a local expression of a tissue factor nucleic acid or by local application of] locally administering a functional tissue factor protein in a therapeutically effective amount to said subject in need.